

It is stated that Mr. A. G. Ward, organist, will give an Organ Recital on December 20th.

On the fifth page will be found a translation of the proclamation issued by Admiral von Diederichs after the seizure of Kiaochau.

Mr. R. F. Thorburn has definitely resigned his position as Secretary of the Shanghai Municipal Council, and J. O. P. Bland has received the appointment.

We learn that Mr. F. A. Hazeland, Deputy Registrar of the Court, who is now on leave, has entered Lincoln's Inn. We heartily wish him a good legal digestion.

The Annual Bazaar in connection with the French Convent will be held in the City Hall on Tuesday next. It is in aid of the poor Chinese orphans maintained at the Asile de la Sainte Enfance.

Lu Hai-hwan, the new Chinese Minister to Germany, was a passenger by the German Mail steamer *Bayern*, which left for Europe this morning. He is likely to have a busy time on his arrival at Berlin over the Shantung affair.

It will perhaps be of some interest to those who took part in the fete at Government House to know, on the authority of the Rev. R. F. Cobbold, that the handsome sum (\$1600) cleared on that occasion will be expended entirely on winter relief in London.

The veteran, Rev. Dr. Burdon, it is stated, is on his way out to China, to take part once more in missionary work. He is accompanied by Mrs. Burdon. No successor to Dr. Burdon is yet mentioned. They are booked to leave London for Hongkong by the P. & O. steamer *Borneo* on the 11th December.

Mr. Frank Lincoln, the well-known American humorist, has arrived from Singapore, and will give a couple of monologue entertainments in the City Hall. The first performance will be on Thursday, the last on Saturday. Mr. Lincoln is so popular wherever he appears, and is so well known in Hongkong, where he gave entertainments about six years ago, that it is a work of supererogation to commend him to the public. He gave three very successful entertainments before crowded houses at Singapore, and took part in the Smoking Concert given to the successful Straits cricket and rifle teams. Mr. Lincoln has numerous testimonials from distinguished public men, including the Prince of Wales (who writes, "Your imitations are simply wonderful"), the Czar of Russia, Mr. W. E. Gladstone, Mr. Ruskin, Sir Arthur Sullivan, &c.

VERBES AT THE DOCKS.—At Kowloon—H.I.G.M.S. *Moove*, Kwonghoi, H.M.S. *Alacrity*.

Aberdeen.—(None).

Competition.—West York.

Ma Karl Frosell, agent of the Hooley-Jameson Syndicate, returned to Shanghai on the 30th November, and, the *China Gazette* says, is well pleased with the results of his mission.

Carr, Tocco, of the P. and O. steamer *Verona*, which arrived at Kobe on the 24th Nov. from Hongkong, made the following report:—At 8 a.m. this day observed a water-logged junk awash with two men clinging to wreckage. Stopped and sent away 1st cutter and rescued them; both were in a very exhausted condition.

The Burma-China Boundary Commission will confine its work this cold weather to the frontier extending from the extreme northern point in latitude 25.35 to the Kunlun ferry. The country between the Salween and the Mekong rivers will then remain to be demarcated. The time within which the whole of the demarcation must be carried out is fixed, under the agreement of last February, at three years from the date of the assembly of the joint commission.—*Bangkok Gazette*.

L'Echo de Chine issued the following Express on the 3rd Dec.—A telegraphic despatch was received here this morning from Belgium, from which we learn the appointment of Mr. E. J. V. Hubert, Engineer-in-Chief, to the Ministry of the Interior of the Belgian Mining for Railways, as Director-General of the construction of the Peking-Bankow Line. We congratulate the Society Belge upon its happy selection. This news should put an end to the rumours circulated lately by interested parties.

Sir Norvell Salmon, R.N., and Lady Salmon are on a visit to Japan. Sir Norvell Salmon was Commander-in-Chief of the British Squadron in Chinese waters in 1890 and 1891, and was highly esteemed by all who were honoured with his acquaintance. He will no doubt be warmly welcomed. Sir Norvell won that coveted order the Victoria Cross, and he is a G. C. B. and A.D.C. Upon him devolved all arrangements in connection with the Naval procession at the Jubilee, a task which he executed in a most efficient manner.—*Japan Gazette*.

The weekly *Topicist* writes in the *Singapore Free Press*:—"Avenue Victoria," who went on behalf of the Straits to Hongkong to wield the willow and trundle the leather. (The *Topicist* thinks he has got his cricket terminology all right. "Brandish the bat" sounds too stagey, and "dangling the globe" remains too much of an astronomical essay on the origin of the solar system; or of David and Goliath. From big Talbot to little Mackenzie all did well, come trundlingly.

"We tender our thanks to you, gentlemen all. And are proud that the Straits are the best. How often, the Antinous of the team, far in the lists of Hongkong beauty history does not recount, but one gay and ardent midwinterer—it would seem his feelings if his name were hinted at—is seen to mope sadly in the Club verandah, thinking of some mysterious 'She' who had knocked his imprudent heart awry."

The best thing one of the Salangan men seems to have brought back with him from Hongkong as a trophy, is a suit about a shawl, which if not purely a salangan, may be called a wisah story.

GERMANY AND CHINA.

SKIRMISHES BETWEEN GERMANS AND CHINESE.

THREE CHINAMEN KILLED.

VILLAGE HEADMEN FLOGGED BY THE GERMANS.

REPORTED CONCESSIONS BY CHINA.

(Special Telegram From Our Own Correspondent).

SHANGHAI, Dec. 7, 4.23 p.m.

On Friday last (the 3rd instant), Captain Becker, of the German cruiser *Arcona*, was ordered out with 200 men to occupy the numerous villages around Kiaochau Bay.

One of the Chinese forts, about five miles inland, attempted to oppose the advance of the German forces, and fired upon it. There were no casualties on the German side, however. Captain Becker's force opened fire in reply, killing three of the garrison, the remainder of whom took to flight.

The Germans captured the Chinese general, but afterwards released him.

They punished by flogging the headmen of the villages where German sailors had been stoned.

The invading force ultimately occupied Kiaochau city, 50 H eastward from the Bay, without further opposition.

It is reported here that the Chinese Government has expressed its willingness to pay a million dollars as indemnity for the murder of the two German missionaries and the subsequent operations; to degrade the Viceroy of Shantung, Li Ping-heng, perpetually; to concede to Germany the construction of railways and the opening up and working of mines in the Shantung Province; and to erect Imperial tablets in the German mission churches.

REUTERS' TELEGRAMS.
(Supplied to the 'CHINA MAIL'.)

LONDON, December 6th.

GREECE AND TURKEY.—TREATY OF PEACE.

A treaty of peace has been signed at Constantinople.

GERMAN NAVAL RE-INFORCEMENTS.

The German cruisers will take out 1,400 extra Marines for Kiaochau; also field artillery and a number of machine guns.

THE FRONTIER WAR IN INDIA.

The Kurram Valley force has advanced to the Cham Kaim Hills, with sharp fighting, in which Lieut. Battye, of the 6th Bengal Cavalry, was killed, and three officers and fourteen men wounded.

THE LONDON SCHOOL BOARD.

Lord Royle has been elected President.

THE RIOTS IN BOHEMIA.

Although Prague is quiet, outbreaks have occurred in other towns in Bohemia, sometimes instigated by Germans, and sometimes by Czechs, according to the preponderance of nationality.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY.

The political situation in Vienna has slightly improved, and it is believed something approaching an absolute Government is impending.

WEATHER REPORT.

The following notices are issued from the Observatory:—

On the 7th at 11.25 a.m. the barometer has fallen moderately in E. Japan, and slightly on the China coast. Pressures remain high over China with moderate gradients on the coast, and rather steep gradients in the China Sea. Forecast:—fresh to moderate N. and N.E. winds; fine. Very strong monsoon in the N. part of the China Sea.

The Singapore Municipal President is to get a 'rise' of \$50 a month, making the salary \$650. The Secretary is to get \$375, an increase of \$25. The Financial Assistant is to rise from \$200 to \$225. The salary of Mr. Owen, Fire Brigades Superintendent, is to be doubled—from \$100 to \$200 a month. All these salaries carry exchange compensation, which may be taken as adding one-fourth to the dollar salary. The salary of the President, taking the dollar as two-shillings, will be \$312 a month—and a larger number of dollars if the dollar is worth less than two-shillings. In other words, the post is to be worth 21,000 a year—which seems reasonable.—*Straits Times*.

The *Terrace Straits Pilot* of Nov. 13 says:—"The *Changsha* brought another lot of eight Japanese for Thursday Island, four women and four men, the occupations of the former being doubtful. These numbers of course do not look large, but if every steamer coming lands eight or nine Japanese, another twelve months will augment the number here now to 1,000, which will place them in a stronger position numerically than the whole of the rest of the island's population; and in case of trouble, they will be an element that will have to be reckoned with. In the Legislative Assembly on the 28th October, the Premier (Sir Hugh Nelson), in reply to Mr. Brown, who asked if he was aware that the immigration of Japanese was still continuing, said the last information on the subject was given about three weeks ago. Since that time one Japanese had arrived by the *Seitama*. The action now being taken by the Government with a view to the stoppage of the immigration had not reached such a stage as would enable it to be made public."

MUSICAL NOTES.

The Philharmonic Society opened their third season with a most successful concert on Friday last. The orchestra, which contributed four items out of the ten on the programme, has been working well for some weeks past, and the results of the careful training the members have received under Mr. Bentley were very apparent.

The flutes seemed to be rather faulty occasionally, and at times the horns were too prominent, but the general effect was very good indeed, the string instruments, in particular, rendering their parts most creditably. As already stated, the first item, 'Overture to *Zampa*,' by Rodolf, is by no means new to Hongkong audiences, but it has never been rendered to such perfection here as we heard it on Friday, and I cannot agree with those who think the orchestra being included in the programme, for the careful listener can always detect new beauties in such a work.

The second item performed by the orchestra was from Schubert's 'Unfinished Symphony.' This also has been performed by the West York Band in Hongkong, and on a previous occasion I took the opportunity of making a few remarks upon it, so that a very brief reference will serve. As the programme stated, the Symphony was written by Schubert in acknowledgement of the honour conferred upon him by the Emperor of Austria in electing him an honorary member. It was performed for the first time in Vienna, in 1828, and first heard in England in 1837 at the Crystal Palace. Musicians regard the 'Unfinished Symphony' as Schubert's most individual and characteristic creation; it abounds in passages of the purest melodic loveliness, generally leading to a startling transition into others of an agitated description. The Symphony is complete as regards the first and second movement; nine bars of the scherzo are fully scored, and here the manuscript stops short without the slightest indication of what was to follow. In this condition the composer presented the score to the Musikverein. In the second part of the programme the orchestra performed a March from 'Tannhauser,' and concluded with the Overture to 'Hansel and Gretel,' by Humperdinck. In the latter, the instruction was to play it 'in the best style,' and the concert closed with a burst of unalloyed, spontaneous, and deserved applause. The programme stated that 'Hansel and Gretel' was well received when produced in London a few years ago; if I am not mistaken, it was revived only a few months ago in London.

Of the vocalists, Mr. Deady and Mr. Mich sang delightfully. Mrs. Deady's rich contralto voice was displayed to fine effect in the song 'Light in darkness,' by Cowen; her enunciation was clear and distinct, and the expression, though somewhat, was enthusiastic, and repeated the last verse. Mrs. Dowdell sang in her usual charming style, but was interrupted by late comers, who persisted in roaming about the hall in search of seats. It is evidently necessary to remind late comers that few things cause greater annoyance to a singer than the noise caused by their untimely entry; it is unfair to performer and audience alike. Mr. Van Nierop, who sang 'An Old Love Dream,' appeared very mediocre in the earlier part of his song, but improved towards the end; the violin obligato by Mr. Kuchwalsky was excellently rendered. Mr. Giraud's performance was rather disappointing, perhaps because we expected to hear him at his best, but as he had been prevented from rehearsing, it would be unfair to criticise. I hope, however, that at the next Concert we shall hear him at his best. Mr. Bentley's performance on the clarionette cannot be too highly praised. Mr. Bentley possesses a perfect command over all the resources of his difficult instrument, and his solo showed that, besides being a talented bandmaster and conductor, he is also in the first rank of clarionette players.

The printed programme at first presented a highly artistic appearance, and drew forth many favourable comments, which soon changed, however, when it was discovered that the ink, or type, used by the printer, was of a singularly dirty green, with which it came in contact. The Society is to be congratulated on the first concert of the season, and I hope that we shall have the second at no very far distant date.

The St. Cecilia Society seems to be flourishing. The second of a series of informal Concerts was given on Friday, and appears to have been most satisfactory, but as the representatives of the press were not invited, it is impossible to say more than that the programme is not yet arranged, but it is expected to be a very strong one.

Some time ago I stated that Mr. Caldwell, the well-known teacher and composer, was seriously ill, and was not expected to recover. He has now recovered, and is now here to note that Mr. Caldwell died at Worcester on October 27. His most important works were 'The Widow of Nain,' produced at the Worcester Festival of 1881, 'A Rhine Legend,' and 'Queen of the May.'

For the Gloucester Musical Festival next year, Dr. Hubert Parry has agreed to write a new choral work, and new works by Sir John Stainer, Dr. Harold Lloyd, and Miss Elliott, daughter of the Bishop, will be produced. The programme will include 'Elijah,' 'Gloria,' 'Lutescent,' 'Golden Legend,' 'Missa,' 'Requiem,' and Bach's 'Christmas Oratorio.'

In the course of an interview with Sir Arthur Sullivan, in the *Young Women* for November, the writer tells how 'The Lost Chord' was composed. As the story is not generally known, I take the liberty of reproducing it. 'The composition of this truly beautiful song is linked with sad memories in the life of the composer, for his composition came about in this way. His well-loved brother, Frederick, fell ill, and for three weeks Arthur watched by his bedside night and day. One night he and his brother were sitting on a sofa, and he did so he conceived their musical equivalent. A stray sheet of music paper was at hand, and he began to write. Slowly the music grew and took shape, until, he came quite absorbed, he determined to finish the song; it would at least help to relieve the heavy heart of watching. Thus was written the most successful song of modern times.'

SUPREME COURT.

IN ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

(Before His Honour Sir John Carrington, Chief Justice.)

Tuesday, December 7.

GURRAY AND OTHERS v. BELLOIS.

The hearing of this suit in equity was resumed.

Mr. J. J. Francis (instructed by Messrs. Deacon and Hargrave) appeared on behalf of the plaintiffs; Mr. Pollock (instructed by Messrs. Wilkinson and Griest) appeared for the defendants.

Examination of Mr. Danly resumed.—It was Mr. Ezel and Mr. Silas who had conversations with him in regard to the synagogues before 18th March, 1897, and after the meeting of 18th March. Witness produced a contour survey of the three lots 1381, 1382 and 1383 which he prepared for the meeting of 18th March; the pencil marks showing terraces were previously made. The curved red line showed the ground marked out for the meeting for the synagogues. The portion of the ground was sketched out on a piece of tracing paper at the meeting, and was put up. Witness prepared several small scale sketch plans of a house, for the defendant to live in. The plan was made of a house which could either be occupied as two houses or one house, by the erection or non-erection of a dividing wall. Mr. Danly had spoken to him about the suitability of the site for the erection of a house for himself. No instructions were given to him by Mr. Bellois until after he had acquired all three lots. He received instructions to make out a plan of the purpose of getting out a contract for levelling the ground, and never consulted with Mr. D. R. Fossom about the erection of a synagogues; he had spoken to Mr. David before the meeting of 18th March. Witness said it was understood that Mr. Bellois and the committee would not agree. The committee place about March this year. He did not remember speaking to Mr. David about the matter last year. After replying to Messrs. Leigh and Orange's letter of March 11, Mr. Silas called at his office and told him that the Committee and Mr. Orange were carrying out the plan of the ground, and Mr. Bellois had decided to take the whole of the lot, and it would be, therefore, unnecessary that he (Mr. Danly) should meet Messrs. Leigh and Orange. This was the first intimation he had that the Committee was erecting the whole lot. At the meeting held on March 15, Mr. Orange produced a plan. Mr. Francis asked several questions. His Lordship said—Mr. Francis, I must request you not to interfere with the examination of the witness, but if you have in the case of anything you wish to be done in the course of the examination, call it in chief.

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ROYAL HONGKONG YACHT CLUB.

THIRD CLOTH RACE.—Dec. 6, 1897.

The wind on Sunday was anything but satisfactory, being a succession of light puffs from start to finish. The course was—From the Police Pier, round Stonecutters, Mark Boat off Chung Hue, North Fairway Buoy (leaving all to port), and Commodore's Dock Buoy (starboard); 14 miles.

The starters were:—
A. CLASS.
Active.....Mr. H. E. Pollock.
Maid Marian.....Mr. T. W. Lamont.
Erica.....Mr. J. Hastings.
Phoebe.....Mr. F. H. May.
Chanticleer.....Mr. C. A. Tomes.

B. CLASS.
Dart.....Mr. Clark.
Payne.....Mr. C. D. Wilkinson.
Ladybird.....Mr. C. D. Wilkinson.
She.....Mr. C. D. Wilkinson.

The B. class started at 1.20 and the A. class at 1.30 p.m.

Payne, Ladybird, and Dart got off well together, but She was down near the lee end of the line in a calm patch, and got left. Payne carried on with a light wind to within half a mile of the Stonecutters mark, and then waited for the other three, which were becalmed in different parts of the first-class soon after their start. It was a heat up in the north wind as far as the north side of Stonecutters, and *Maid Marian* next, then *Erica*, and *Chanticleer* some distance behind, but all in front of *Dart* and *She*. With the exception of the two last, the boats all caught up with Payne and were becalmed for half-an-hour at the Stonecutters mark. A light N.E. wind put them round in the following order:—*Active*, *Chanticleer*, *Maid Marian*, *Erica*, *Phoebe*, with *She* and *Dart* about 20 minutes or so after. A reach brought the boats to the Fairway Buoy, where the order was *Active*, *Chanticleer*, *Payne*, *Maid Marian*, *Erica*, *Phoebe*, *She*, and *Dart* still behind. In the last up to Commodore's Dock, the wind fell lighter, and *Erica* passed all but *Active* and *Chanticleer*, and the others keeping the same order except that *Payne* fell to the rear of the A. class boats. A few minutes to the end of the race, the wind, during which *Erica* went to the front, and *Maid Marian* into third place, and the line was crossed as follows:—

A. CLASS.
H. M. S.
Erica.....5 2 3 First 10 points.
Active.....5 2 3 Second 4 "
Maid Marian.....5 2 3 Third 1 "
Chanticleer.....5 2 3 Fourth 1 "
Maid Marian.....5 2 3 Fifth 1 "
Phoebe.....5 2 3 Sixth 1 "

B. CLASS.
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Payne.....5 2 3 First 10 points.
Ladybird.....5 2 3 Second 4 "
Dart.....5 2 3 Third 1 "
She.....5 2 3 Fourth 1 "
Dart gave up.

The points gained up to date are:—
A. CLASS.
Erica.....51
Active.....18
Maid Marian.....13
Chanticleer.....4
Phoebe.....1

B. CLASS.
Payne.....24
Ladybird.....13
Dart.....13
She.....1

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GERMANY AND CHINA.

THE MURDERED MISSIONARIES.—FURTHER NOTIFICATION.

The *Shanghai Mercury* publishes the following details with regard to the two German missionaries murdered in Shantung:—

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THE SHANGHAI BRANCH OF THE CHINA ASSOCIATION.

On the 20th Oct., the Chairman (Mr. John Howard Gwyther) made the following reference to the Far East:—Now, we will glance at the further East, and here we are confronted, as regards Japan, with a dilemma on the part of that enterprising country to establish a gold standard. The excitement will be watched with great solicitude by those whose interests are bound up with its prosperity. Unfortunately the essay is being made at an unpromising moment, when the imports largely exceed the exports, the Government spending lavishly in Europe upon ironclads and war material, and the people busy with industrial projects apparently beyond their present powers. The Straits Settlements and China have witnessed a similar situation. It is impossible to discover how before more particulars of the matter are known. No doubt the Japanese Government will instruct the Japanese Ministers in Germany and China to find out all the circumstances connected with the case. At present, the action of Germany is altogether too sudden, and should not be taken until the case is fully known. The Government should not be so hasty in its action. It is impossible to discover how before more particulars of the matter are known. No doubt the Japanese Government will instruct the Japanese Ministers in Germany and China to find out all the circumstances connected with the case. At present, the action of Germany is altogether too sudden, and should not be taken until the case is fully known.

SIR HENRY BLAKE AND YELLOW FEVER CURES.

The British Medical Journal of the 30th Oct. publishes an article on 'Yellow Fever in Jamaica,' from which we take the following extracts:—

In the Gazette of October 7th the Colonial Secretary states formally that he is directed by His Excellency the Governor to publish the following minute: The minute consists in the first place of an extract from a book of travels published in 1878, stating that certain (Verona) officials, taken in small doses three times a day, is an efficacious remedy for the yellow fever and black vomit. In the second place, Sir Henry Blake, the Governor, states that Lady Blake had ascertained from a person who had suffered from yellow fever in Panama that he had been cured by a doctor who had spent fifteen years with the Indians, and obtained the remedy from them. Lady Blake came to the conclusion that the remedy used was 'the juice of the vervain with white flowers,' combined with strictly locusts in which the vervain with blue flowers, and Guinea henwood were steeped. The Governor adds that this precious secret was disclosed by the 'doctor's' dispenser, who was a Jamaican. It would be far more satisfactory were we to be assured that the Governor was occupying himself in taking measures for the prevention of the spread of the disease, and that as a first measure he had promulgated an order in council rendering the notification of all cases of yellow fever compulsory throughout the island. This is the duty of the Executive Government, who may safely rely on the skill and judgment of the medical profession.

LATE TELEGRAMS.


A LONG TALK.
Auckland, November 11.—The New Zealand House of Representatives met continuously for thirty-three hours discussing the Estimates.

MAKING SUBS.—A minor named Thomas White has committed suicide at Georgetown by blowing his head off with a dynamite bomb.

SEVENMILE RIVER FOR AFRICA.
London, November 17.—It has transpired that certain gunnaries in Birmingham have been supplying large quantities of arms to the tribesmen on the Indian frontier.

ALBANY AS A NAVAL BASE.
Perth, November 15.—The West Australian Government have offered the House authorities to provide a residence for an Admiral at Albany if the Imperial Government decide to establish a naval base at that place.

Mails.

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